Mr. S. Parthasarathi Aiyangar: I started enquiries on receipt of the question and I am now awaiting the reports of the officers in question.

Bus service in the Parur-Varapuzha road.

157. *Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the registration numbers of the buses that are given licenses to run service in the Parur-Varapuzha road; and

(*b*) whether all these buses are in good working condition?

Mr. S. Parthasarathi Aiyangar: (*a*) T. R. V. 2242.

(*b*) Yes.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: May I know when Bus No. T. R. V. 2242 was tested by the Department?

Mr. S. Parthasarathi Aiyangar: I couldn't say that now.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: I can assure the honourable member that the bus is not in good condition.

Mr. S. Parthasarathi Aiyangar: I shall look into the matter.

Buses plying between Alleppey and Aroor.

168. *Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the fact that buses running between Alleppey and Aroor carry overloads often;

(*b*) whether they are aware of the fact that buses are not run according to scheduled times; and

(*c*) if the answers to (*a*) and (*b*) are in the affirmative, what action has been taken?

Mr. S. Parthasarathi Aiyangar: (*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of the answer to parts (a) & (b).

Mr. G. Madhavan *Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertallai*): May I know how many trips are made from Alleppey to Aroor per day?

Mr. S. Parthasarathi Aiyangar: I couldn't say that off hand now.

Taxi charges.

169. *Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have fixed any amount as the maximum which could be claimed as mileage and waiting charges by private taxi owners from the public who want to travel by taxi;

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